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Big Catch Of King Mackerel

HAUL—Catches like this had fishermen stumbling around talking to themselves Monday. These men are from the Paul Cunningham (second from the left) party of Bristol, Va., who were fishing with Capt. Abbie Doshier aboard the Idle On III. They had 69 king mackerel and were back at the dock by 1 o'clock. (Photo by Doshier).

Five Girls From Brunswick Get Scholarship Aid

Five Brunswick County college-bound seniors have received the Prospective Teacher Scholarship Loan Fund of \$350.

The North Carolina General Assembly in 1957 established a scholarship loan as financial aid for those students planning a teaching career in North Carolina. Each recipient under the provision of this program shall be eligible for scholarship loans each year provided a "C" average is maintained, until she has qualified for a teacher's certificate.

The recipients in Brunswick County are Brenda Jordan, Southport High School, who will attend Mars Hill; Sandra Russ, Leland High School, who will enter UNC at Greensboro; Eunice Harrison, Lincoln High School, who will enter St. Augustine College in Raleigh; Laverna Joyner, Brunswick County High School, who will enter A. & T. College in Greensboro; Julia Hewitt, Shallotte High School, who will enter East Carolina.

Brenda Call Tripp, an alternate for the Prospective Teacher Scholarship Loan, will enter Methodist College in Fayetteville this September.

These students have had a superior scholastic and personal record during their high school years.

Brief Bits Of NEWS

TO ATTEND BANQUET

A. Woodrow Taylor, superintendent of Brunswick County Schools, and Mrs. Taylor will attend the banquet in Raleigh Sunday evening honoring persons who have made the "Tar Heel of the Week" column in the News and Observer. This will be a part of the 100th Anniversary celebration by the Raleigh newspaper. Taylor was honored while serving as high school principal at Ahsokie.

PIANO RECITAL

The music pupils of Mrs. Carl Watkins, Sr. will present a music recital at the Southport Baptist Church Friday at 8 o'clock. Everyone is invited to attend.

BENEFIT SUPPER

The WSCS of Shiloh Methodist Church located on Highway 87 will sponsor a ham and chicken supper Saturday, beginning at 6:30 p. m. The supper will be served in the fellowship hall of the church. Proceeds to be used for building fund. Homemade pies and cakes will also be available.

BCHS CONCERT

The Brunswick County High School Chorus and the Elementary Chorus present their annual spring concert Thursday at 8 p. m. in the school gymnasium. Chorus are directed by Miss C. M. Davis and James H. Frink. The public is invited to attend.

Sports Fishing Is Good This Week

Sports fishing, which was slow getting started this season, reached an early peak during the past weekend with some outstanding catches of king mackerel being made close to the bar and with bluefish and the first Spanish mackerel of the year showing up on the shoals. To top it off, several parties made fabulous catches of trout near off-shore wrecks.

Monday was the day for the king mackerel. Top boat was the Eva Kay of Capt. Dick Skipper, who had 102 of these fish with the George Emphrey party of Westfield, Va., aboard. Capt. Abbie Doshier of the Idle On III had the Paul Cunningham party of Bristol, Va., and was back at the dock by 1 o'clock with 69 king mackerel.

Capt. Fred Folford on the Davis Bros. had the John Chesbesko party of Concord and came in with 82 king mackerel. Capt. Hoyle Doshier in the Idle On IV had the Elliott Link party of Rockingham and they landed 76 kings. Capt. Basil Watts on the Idle On II had a part of the George Emphrey party of Westfield, Va., and they added 75 king mackerel to the day's take. Capt. Glenn Trunnell and the Josh McCullen party from Reidsville out on the Ripptide had 65 king mackerel.

Just to prove that charterboat captains like to go fishing on their day off, five of them went out Thursday and brought in 142 trout while fishing near one of the wrecks. They tried their luck again Sunday and brought in 20 Spanish mackerel, the first that has been reported here this season.

The count was off some Tuesday, but the kings still were close inshore and the catches were good. With weather conditions apparently fairly well settled, the charterboatmen expect some big catches during the next few days and urge those who have been planning a trip not to wait until the weekend and run the risk of being unable to get a boat.

New 4-H Club For Longwood

A 4-H club was organized in the Longwood community last week, organizational meeting being held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Irone Long. Mrs. Long, along with Miss Betty Hughes and Mrs. Shirley Ward, are serving as organizational leaders.

There were 13 children present who joined the club and from six to ten more are expected to join at or before the next meeting.

The following officers were selected: Judy Tharte, president; Richie Dutton, vice president; Kathy Ward, secretary-treasurer; and Kathy Russ, reporter. A county council representative and a recreation leader will be selected at the next meeting.

Delicious refreshments were served to the group by the leaders at the conclusion of the business meeting.

Talent Show And Dress Revue Plans

The 4-H Talent Show and Dress Revue will be held at the next County Council Meeting which will be held at the Shallotte High School auditorium Thursday of this week. Judges have been secured for the talent contest and trophies donated by the Ebb-Tide Restaurant and will be presented to the winners by J. W. Robinson. The top three members selected by the judges will represent Brunswick County in the District Talent Contest to be held in Moore county on June 19.

The Dress Revue is under the direction of Mrs. Eva Gray and will be narrated by Susan Gray. Trophies have been donated for both the county junior and senior winners. Lewis' Department Store of Shallotte is donating the trophy for the senior winner.

County Demonstration Day is coming up on May 15. Boys and girls are encouraged to take part in this event. The county winners will then begin preparing for the District Contest to be held on June 29.

Riegel Slates Major Addition

A new bleaching tower is to be erected at Riegel Paper Corporation's plant at Riegelwood on the eastern edge of Columbus County. An expenditure of \$1,230,000 is involved in the expansion.

Included is an addition to the bleach plant building to cost about \$200,000. New equipment to be added is a chlorine dioxide tower and auxiliaries costing \$410,000, an additional chlorine dioxide generator and auxiliaries, a peroxide make-up system, new instrumentation, and electrical controls.

The new tower will become the first bleaching stage in the softwood side of the bleach plant. Purpose of the new bleaching tower is to increase brightness in the pulp delivered to customers. In technical terms, the goal is to reach 88 plus brightness.

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Beta Club Tag Day Saturday

Beta Club members from Southport High School will have Tag Day Saturday, a scholarship drive that the Beta Club has planned to hold annually.

The proceeds from Tag Day will be given to two or more seniors, who plan to further their education after graduation from high school. The faculty will select the recipients and the Beta Club Scholarships will be awarded at the Commencement Exercise.

School patrons are urged to give generously to the Beta Club member who contacts them on Saturday. Donations are tax deductible.

Ferry Service Unlikely For Summer Season

Prospects for ferry service this summer between Southport and Ft. Fisher across the lower Cape Fear river received a jolt last week when highway officials stated that it will be October before facilities will be available.

Although a survey of a second replacement vessel for the Sea Level was given as the reason, the fact is that thus far nothing has been done on the site for the ferry slip on this side of the river except preliminary surveying. No property has been acquired for this purpose.

Highway Commissioner Chairman Merrill Evans and Highway Director W. F. Babcock confirmed Thursday that the service, sought by area leaders for more than a century, cannot be initiated before October 15.

Babcock said this is the delivery date promised for the second of two new ferries ordered by the state this year. The first boat, due July 15, will join the Sea Level on the Carteret County to Ocracoke Island run.

The delay, Babcock explained, was necessitated when the commission was forced to issue a second call for bids on the two vessels. Bid received on the first call were excessive, he said.

"That pushed the schedule back about 45 to 60 days," Babcock said.

Babcock suggested that a delegation of leaders from the two counties might persuade the commission to move the Sea Level to the new run when the first new vessel is delivered.

"This is a matter of policy and the commission must make the decision," he said.

Time And Tide

The date was May 8, 1935, and the chief subject for discussion was politics. Our front page pictures showed State Senator S. Bunn Frink and Representative R. E. Sentelle. In a municipal election the day before John D. Erikson had been elected mayor.

Back in those days an annual event to which many Southport people looked forward was the arrival of the Vanderbilt yacht, Alva. Not only was this a palatial craft, but it was large enough to carry a twin-motored amphibian plane in dock. We had a column of news from Supply and the by-line read "Miss Lottie Jane Frink"; four oil tankers had come up the river in a single day and that was news; and an editorial praised the legislation which substituted lethal gas for the electric chair as a means to inflict capital punishment in North Carolina.

May 8, 1940 and the consolidated schools of Brunswick were in the midst of their graduation programs. Secretary of State Thad Eure has been the speaker at Southport. One of the features of a forthcoming local flowers show was to be an exhibition of painting done by Wilmington artists Claude Howell and Henry MacMillan. Friday was the day set for that event, and there was editorial comment about the scope of the undertaking, with a name band as an extra, added attraction for a Flower Show Ball.

There was good news from two fronts for the fishermen: There was a verified report of bluefish and trout; and the U. S. Army Engineers had called for bids for digging a yacht basin at the western end of Moore street in Southport.

War in Europe had ended and in our issue of May 9, 1945, there was a big cartoon to supplement the news continued in headlines. With the Japanese phase still in progress, the home front still was being exhorted to: Do more knitting, buy more bonds and give

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Fishing Bill Is Cut In Volume And Importance

The commercial fishing bill started out to be a big bill not only as far as the number of pages is concerned, but also in the number of things it proposed to do. This bill has not been trimmed down in size. It undertook to re-write the authority of so many agencies—for instance, Water Resources, Wildlife, and Stream Sanitation—that it aroused many objections. The sections of the bill pertaining to the Water Resources, Wildlife, and Stream Sanitation commissions of the Conservation & Development Department have now been deleted.

I would like to point out that all legislation is generally passed after compromises have been made and that this bill does not reflect all of my thinking. However, I'm quite sure that there are certain parts of the bill that have a lot of merit.

Two years ago the General Assembly passed a bill setting up what is known as the Legislative Council. At that time the opponents of the bill argued that this was setting up a little General Assembly. This past week, a bill was introduced to eliminate this body. Many think it is not needed and that all the council does is to give information to a few members of the General Assembly at the taxpayers' expense. Prior to the meeting of the Legislature, the bill to abolish this council had very strong backing. If it reaches the floor of the House, I intend to vote for it myself.

This past Wednesday a bill passed the House permitting a person to get a divorce on one year's separation, provided the party had obtained a separation agreement from his or her spouse for at least one year prior to the granting of the divorce. The representatives in opposition to this bill were afraid that by cutting the time down from two years to one, it would probably result in a future Legislature's passing a bill that would allow the divorce without a separation agreement. It was also argued that the two-year period gives just a little more time for the parties to reconcile their differences and thus avoid divorce. The members favoring the measure contended that it is useless to cause a person to have to wait this long a period if there is agreement between the two parties. They also claimed that in possibly a lot of cases it would eliminate hardships as to support of children.

During the time of a session of the General Assembly, almost all of the so-called important people that come into our State pay a visit to the General Assembly. This past week we had one that might fall in this category. He is Richard Chamberlain, well known as TV's Dr. Kildare. He aroused right much excitement among the clerks and secretaries who were trying to see him. After he left, it was pointed out by a member of the House that we have a bachelor in the person of Rep. Jack Moody of Chatham County who is with us all the time.

The thing known as "strategy" plays an important part in getting legislation passed in the General Assembly. For instance, a group that is sponsoring or promoting a piece of legislation that isn't what would be considered real desirable will always

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Southport Woman In State Office

Mrs. Ernest Parker of Southport was elected and installed recording secretary of the Garden Club of North Carolina, Inc. at its annual convention in Greensboro last week. She attended her first Executive Committee meeting with other new officers on Thursday morning after the convention adjourned.

Mrs. Parker has served as president of the Southport Garden Club and, on a statewide level, as secretary of the Brunswick Town Nature Trail Committee of the state organization.

Mrs. Parker attended Davidson College and received her degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. The term of office is two years. Elected to the state presidency was Mrs. W. C. Landoline, Sr. of Clemmons, who prior to her election was editor of "The North Carolina Gardener", the official magazine of the garden clubs.

Efforts had been made prior to convention to have the Brunswick Town Nature Trail Committee be made a standing committee. The parliamentarian



MRS. ERNEST PARKER

ruled that the change could not be made until the next convention. Therefore the committee will remain a special committee until that time.

Larceny Cases In Superior Court



SERGEANT SMITH

New Sargeant At Sunny Point

Staff Sergeant Moten Smith, Jr., of Sibert, Ky., has reported to Sunny Point Army Terminal for a tour of duty at this installation.

The new Sunny Point sergeant has served on active duty with the United States Army for over 17 years. He will be assigned to the Operations Directorate while at SPART.

During his military service he has served four overseas tours of duty, including twice being assigned to Germany and once each to Japan and Korea.

Sergeant Smith is married to the former Pauline Sledewurst of Nuremberg, Germany. They have one child, a son, Hans, age 14. The family plans to reside in Southport during the period the sergeant is assigned to SPART.

Former Board Member Dies

SHALLOTTE -- Luther Clarence Tripp, Sr., 94, of Shallotte a former member of the Brunswick County Commission, died Wednesday in James Walper Memorial Hospital in Wilmington after a long illness.

Mr. Tripp was a retired building contractor and had been a long time attendant of Zion Baptist Church near Ash. He was a former member of the county Board of Commissioners in Brunswick County. For the past several years he had made his home with his daughters in Wilmington.

Final rites were held Sunday at 3 p. m. at Powell Funeral Home Chapel in Shallotte by Dr. W. D. Morris and the Revs. W. G. Hawthorne and Scott Turner, with burial in Gurganus Cemetery near here.

Survivors include three daughters, Mrs. George Ezzell and Mrs. Rexie Bankhead, both of Wilmington and Mrs. Bazil T.

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Has High Hopes For Small Boat Harbor In City

Robert W. MacArthur, president of Ramsey Products Corporation in Charlotte, who was the first cash customer at the Southport Small Boat Harbor, was so well pleased with the service he received here that he wrote the following letter this week to James W. Davis, executive director of the North Carolina State Ports Authority:

"I am a five year resident of Charlotte, having moved a manufacturing plant to Charlotte, from Albany, New York. I have been a severe critic of things and people in North Carolina from the Statehouse on down. I have been quick to write letters voicing my opinions about the things around me that I didn't like.

"I'd like to be as quick to write you my opinion of the new Marina at Southport. Without a doubt, it is the finest Marina from Wilmington to Ft. Lauderdale. It is probably the finest on the East Coast, but since I haven't visited all of them I cannot say with authority.

"Mr. Schmidt and his assistants are without a doubt the most cooperative, helpful, and sincere men I have met since I moved to North Carolina. They cannot seem to do enough for us as boat owners.

"I sincerely trust that the plans for ultimate completion of the Marina work out as you have planned, and that the Marina receives the promotion and praise that it deserves. Believe me, everyone I meet in the boating world will hear of it and I'm sure I won't be alone."

Two Pro Shops In County Hit

Thieves broke into the pro shop at Oak Island Golf Club and at Boiling Spring Lakes Golf Club last Wednesday night and got away with equipment and other merchandise valued at almost \$7,500.

At Oak Island the nocturnal visitors entered through a rear door of the pro shop and apparently took their time loading their choice of clubs, balls, shoes, golf bags, clothing and other valuables, including the cash register and the typewriter. Bob Smith, club professional, estimated the loss at almost \$6,000.

At Boiling Spring Lakes the take was somewhat smaller, but once more the thieves appeared to know what they were doing as they selected the most expensive merchandise in the pro shop. Joe Batson, club pro, estimated the loss at about \$1,500. The Brunswick County Sheriff's Department and the SBI were at work on the case early Thursday morning, but the visitors left few clues. It appeared that they wore gloves while they carried on their selecting and loading operations.

It appears that robberies of this nature are not unusual. Just one year ago the pro shop at the Dunes Club and at the Surf Club near Myrtle Beach, S. C., were hit. Smith thinks these are out-of-state operators who load up one or more cars and carry their loot into congested, metropolitan areas to be unloaded.

The loss at Oak Island was covered by insurance but there was no coverage on the stolen goods at Boiling Spring Lakes.

Service Places Net \$1.1 Million

Brunswick County's 88 service establishments had total receipts of \$1.1 million in 1963, an increase of 133 percent from 1958, according to a report of the 1963 census of business just released by the Bureau of the Census, U. S. Department of Commerce. The last previous census of business covered operations during 1958.

The service trades in the census of business included those providing personal service to individuals; miscellaneous business services; auto repair and other auto services; and repair services. Also included were motion picture production and distribution businesses; motion picture theatres; other amusement and recreation services and hotels and motels.

The selected service trade establishments in the county employed 73 persons (exclusive of proprietors) and had a payroll for the year of \$158 thousand. The state as a whole included 23,677 establishments with receipts of \$597.7 million.

The bureau of the census report Selected Services, North Carolina, 1963 Census of Business, from which these data are taken, may be purchased from the superintendent of documents, Washington, D. C.

Tide Table

Following is the tide table for Southport during the week. These hours are approximately correct and were furnished The State Port Pilot through the courtesy of the Cape Fear Pilot's Association.

HIGH	LOW
TIDE TABLE	
THURSDAY, MAY 13,	
6:10 A. M.	0:19 P. M.
6:45 P. M.	12:30 P. M.
FRIDAY, MAY 14,	
6:56 A. M.	1:07 A. M.
7:29 P. M.	1:12 P. M.
SATURDAY, MAY 15,	
7:39 A. M.	1:50 A. M.
8:10 P. M.	1:52 P. M.
SUNDAY, MAY 16,	
8:20 A. M.	2:33 A. M.
8:49 P. M.	2:32 P. M.
MONDAY, MAY 17,	
8:58 A. M.	3:15 A. M.
9:28 P. M.	3:11 P. M.
TUESDAY, MAY 18,	
9:38 A. M.	3:56 A. M.
10:05 P. M.	3:50 P. M.
WEDNESDAY, MAY 19,	
10:17 A. M.	4:37 A. M.
10:45 P. M.	4:29 P. M.